

STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library

Prepared by Carol A. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order/Roll Call

President Ricca called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Mr. Biroschik, Mr. Darrow, Mr. Grako, Mrs. Linton and Mrs. Schuler

Board member absent: Mr. Cooke

Administration present: Dr. Myers, Superintendent, Mrs. Mascal, Principal, Mr. McGurk, Assistant Principal and Carol Johnston, Superintendent Assistant

Board Salutes

Mr. Biroschik congratulated STHS swimmer, Steven Truchon, for setting the STHS record in the 100 and 200 yard freestyle swim events.

Mrs. Mascal congratulated John Kaschke and Kristina McCormick for being selected to represent SHS at the IPA John Ourth Student Recognition Breakfast hosted at SHS.

Dr. Myers congratulated the STHS Streatorettes for their 4th place finish at the IHSA Kick Competition.

Dr. Myers congratulated the STHS Wrestling team, Coach Medema and his staff for 3 wrestlers advancing to Sectionals and further acknowledging that one of the SHS wrestlers qualified for State Competition, the third STHS wrestler to qualify for state in over 30 years.

Dr. Myers commended the Rotary Bowl Club for their hard work and successfully hosting STHS's 50th Annual Rotary Bowl.

Introduce Students of the Month

Mrs. Mascal introduced and recognized the February, 2013 Students of the Month and presented each with a certificate.

Public Comment

Mr. Karth, STHS Band and Choir Director, expressed his concerns regarding the future of the SHS Band and Choir. Mr. Karth asked the Board and Administration to explore the option to hire a Choir Director which would allow Mr. Karth additional time to assist Mr. Cox at the Elementary District.

Academic Topic – Special Education, Reading & Math Resource

Members from the STHS Resource team, Mr. Bruck, Mrs. Cassidy and Mr. Watson, provided the Board with an overview, statistics and the benefits of the STHS Resource Programs. The Resource Programs of STHS are designed to provide students extra assistance to achieve a better understanding of text and content. Mr. McGurk commended the Resource team for their guidance and assistance which reaches out to approximately 46% of the student population.

Approval of Board Minutes

MOTION by Schuler, seconded by Darrow, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, January 15, 2013. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Approval of Financial Reports

MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by Linton, to approve all items as recommended under Financial Reports in the Tuesday, February 19, 2013, Board Agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the January, 2013 Treasurer's Report and Budgetary Report
- Approve the February, 2013 Bills

Administrative Reports

Superintendent –

- School Treasurer – Muntz & Talbot – Dr. Myers recommended the Board approve Muntz & Talbot of Accounting, Tax and Business Service as the District's Treasurer.
- Interstate 8 Conference – Mr. Wargo, Athletic Director presented the Board with a formal invitation from the I-8 Conference to join their conference. Mr. Wargo informed the Board of the steps he and Mrs. Mascal, Principal, has taken to prove the I-8 Conference is the best fit for STHS. Dr. Myers recommended STHS join the I-8 Conference commencing the 2014-2015 school year.
- Maintenance Grant – Dr. Myers informed the Board that the Pops Dale gym floor will be refinished using the Maintenance Grant received from the State of Illinois during the 2011-2012 school year. Since the grant is a matching grant up to \$50,000, STHS has \$100,000 to spend. Dr. Myers also informed the Board that the Morrell Street window replacement project will be postponed as STHS will need to prioritize the use of the Grant monies.
- Phone System – Mr. Beck provided the Board with the estimated cost to replace the SHS phone and bell system. Dr. Myers informed the Board that the system will be funded with the use of lease funds extended to the district each year in the levy. Dr. Myers recommended the replacement of the system.
- Disposal/Sale of STHS Property – Dr. Myers recommended the disposal or sale of STHS welding machines that are no longer needed for school purposes and are of a diminutive value.
- Part-Time Custodian – Dr. Myers requested approval to begin the hiring process of a part-time custodian to work weekends and evenings in an attempt to reduce and/or eliminate overtime.
- Summer Workers, 2013 – Dr. Myers recommended approval to hire 5 full-time, temporary positions to assist in maintenance and custodial areas during the summer of 2013. The recommendation consisted of hiring one skilled laborer and 4 general maintenance positions.
- Job Descriptions – Various SHS Clubs and Activities - Dr. Myers requested the Second Reading of the job descriptions.
- Job Description - Custodian – A first reading was held on the job description, with a second reading and possible board approval at next month's board meeting.
- Job Description – Groundskeeper – A first reading was held on the job description with a second reading and possible approval at next month's board meeting.

Principal –

- 2013-2014 School Calendar – Mrs. Mascal, Principal submitted and reviewed the proposed 2013-2014 school calendar.
- Overnight/Extended Student Trip – STHS Welding Class to Tulsa, OK Welding Competition – Mrs. Mascal presented the Application for the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for approval.

Closed Session

MOTION by Schuler, seconded by Biroshchik, to go into Closed Session as per 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and as per 5ILCS 120/2(c)(21) for the discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06; and as per 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9) for the discussion of Student Disciplinary Cases and as per 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2) for the collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees . TIME: 7:40 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) Motion carried.

MOTION by Schuler, seconded by Darrow, to return to Regular Session. TIME: 7:54 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion** carried.

Motions from Closed Session

None

Old Business

MOTION to Approve the Job Descriptions for the Various Clubs and Activities at STHS as presented. Ayes (0) Nays (0) **Motion Tabled.** The Board requested modification and/or additional information to various Job Descriptions to reflect specific "Report To" persons. The Board also recommended the committee create evaluation procedures for the positions.

New Business

MOTION by Biroshik, seconded by Darrow, to Approve Mr. Mike Muntz as 2012-2013 Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Linton, seconded by Darrow, to Approve Mr. Rylee VanMelkebeke as 2012-2013 Volunteer Assistant Track Coach. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Grako, seconded by Biroshik, to Approve Muntz & Talbot CPA's, P.C. as STHS District #40 School Treasurer as Recommended. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Biroshik, to Authorize STHS District #40 to Join the Interstate 8 Conference, Commencing the 2014-2015 School Year as Recommended. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Linton, to Approve the Replacement of the Current Phone and Bell System as Recommended. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Grako, to Approve the Disposal/Sale of STHS Welding Machines as Recommended. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Biroshik, seconded by Linton, to Authorize the Addition of a Part-Time Custodian and Initiate the Hiring Process as Recommended. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Biroshik, to Authorize STHS to Hire 2013, Summer Help as Recommended. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Linton, seconded by Schuler, to Approve the 2013-2014 School Calendar as Presented. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

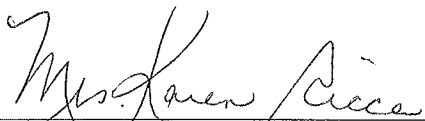
MOTION by Biroshik, seconded by Darrow, to Approve the STHS Welding Class Overnight/Extended Student Trip to Tulsa, OK Welding Competition. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

President's Prerogative

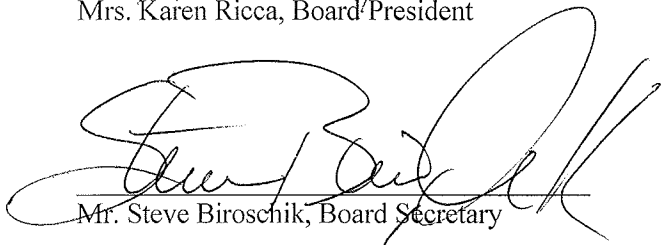
Mrs. Ricca reminded the Board of the upcoming Fall Play to be performed at STHS on February 21, 22 and 23.

Motion for Adjournment

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Schuler, to adjourn from the regular meeting. TIME: 7:59 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Mrs. Karen Ricca, Board President



Mr. Steve Biroshik, Board Secretary